

Item \_\_\_\_\_

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by: Rebecca Good

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: Craig E. Willis

RESOLUTION AWARDING COUNTY FUNDS FROM THE FY 2017 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,500.00 TO MOUTH OF THE SOUTH FOUNDATION, INC., A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER VAN TURNER, COMMISSIONER JUSTIN FORD, COMMISSIONER EDDIE JONES, COMMISSIONER REGINALD MILTON, COMMISSIONER TERRY ROLAND AND CHAIRMAN MELVIN BURGESS.

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WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program Resolution (Agenda Item No. 24) passed on August 1, 2016 (the "CEP Resolution"), the Shelby County Board of Commissioners created a Community Enhancement Program and established policies and guidelines for the appropriation and disbursement of County funds to governmental entities and non-profit civic and charitable organizations meeting certain criteria, as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, Said CEP Resolution provides that all grant appropriations pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program shall promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and shall only be available to support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that community enhancement grant proceeds must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that such grants shall be approved to specific entities by resolution of the County Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That funds from the FY2017 Operating Budget are hereby allocated and awarded to Mouth of the South Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$21,500.00 as a grant listed in Exhibit A hereto for the projects detailed in the attached plan of services for the grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said grant proceeds must promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements, and must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer shall prepare and execute a grant contract with the specific entities designated herein within thirty (30) days of the grantee's compliance with the grant awarding conditions set forth in the CEP Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That payment of grant funds shall be made as provided by the CEP Resolution and the grant contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Director of Administration and Finance are hereby authorized to issue their warrant or warrants for all amounts appropriated herein, and to take proper credit in their accounting therefor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall become effective in accordance with the Shelby County Charter, Article II, Section 2.06(B).

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Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.  
Shelby County Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit A**  
**Community Enhancement Grants**  
**FY 2017**

**Per Resolution (Agenda Item No. \_\_) passed \_\_\_\_\_, 2017**

Mouth of the South Foundation, Inc.

**Grant Agency** Mouth of the South Foundation, Inc.

**Type of Grant** Program

**Grant Amount** \$21,500.00

**Sponsor(s)** Commissioner Van Turner \$5,000.00

Chairman Melvin Burgess \$5,000.00

Commissioner Justin Ford \$5,000.00

Commissioner Eddie Jones \$2,500.00

Commissioner Reginald Milton \$1,500.00

Commissioner Terry Roland \$2,500.00

**Purpose** The Mouth of the South Foundation (MOTSF) provides a platform for multiple stakeholders to connect, to share critical information, to promote community awareness and to provide a safe zone for youth throughout Shelby County. In conjunction with the City of Memphis, Office of Youth Services and the Community Outreach Program (COPS,) the Mouth of the South Foundation provides a large scale, appropriately funded media and community-targeted campaign to decrease summer youth violence rates, intervene with youth at high risk for offending and provide recreational opportunities for youth who are participating in free or reduced local summer camps. MOTSF seeks capture funding for programs and events this summer and fall (2016) that strategically and intentionally promote positive behavior through peaceful events, bring existing services and local organizations together in targeted neighborhoods and create safe places that help young people reach transformational outcomes and establish meaningful roles in

society. It produces and organizes high-quality “On the Street Peace” events bringing local and national celebrities (Penny Hardaway, Zach Randolph, etc.) together for “Block Parties” each Friday in targeted areas – Whitehaven, South Memphis, Frayser and Hickory Hill. These events feature a motivational speaker(s) and other special guests. This will benefit Shelby County by: 1) increasing public health leadership to prevent youth violence 2) strengthen the personal capacity of youth to resist violence 3) build and support positive relationships between youth, adults and peers 4) promote thriving, safe and connected communities and 5) create a society that promotes safety. Funds allocated through the County Commission Community Enhancement Grant program will be used for general operating support so that its initiatives can be achieved, Effectiveness of the MOTSF program will be demonstrated by the collective impact of all programs and partners as a result of a shared vision of change across stakeholder groups.